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In the claims:

Claims 1-11 (cancelled)

12. (Original) An apparatus for manufacturing a pharmaceutical dose onto a pharmaceutical receiving medium, the apparatus comprising:

a reservoir containing one fluid pharmaceutical component;
a fluid drop generator fluidically coupled to the reservoir; and
a control activating the fluid drop generator to eject a variably selected quantity of the one pharmaceutical component onto the medium.

13. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the reservoir and the fluid drop generator are provided as an integral replaceable unit.

14. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the reservoir comprises:
a plurality of reservoirs, each containing a different pharmaceutical component.

15. (Original) The apparatus of claim 14 wherein the fluid dispenser comprises:
a plurality of fluid drop generators, at least one separate one of the plurality of fluid drop generators connected to one of the plurality of reservoirs.

16. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 further comprising:
a signal communication receiver coupled to the control and an external telecommunications network, the communication receiver communicating a signal from a remote signal source specifying the variably selectable quantity of the one pharmaceutical component to the control.

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17. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 further comprising:
a weight detector for detecting and outputting signals corresponding to the weight of the pharmaceutical receiving medium after the one pharmaceutical component has been dispensed onto the pharmaceutical receiving medium.

18. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the one reservoir comprises:
a single reservoir includes a plurality of separate compartments, each compartment containing a different pharmaceutical component.

19. (Original) The apparatus of claim 12 further comprising:
an information storage element carried on the reservoir and the fluid drop generator, the information storage element electrically connectable to the control and providing communicatable information to the control of at least one parameter of the pharmaceutical component and the fluid drop generator.

20. (Original) A replaceable cartridge usable in an apparatus for manufacturing a pharmaceutical dose, the apparatus including a control receiving data indicative of the pharmaceutical dose and dispensing droplets of at least one pharmaceutical component onto a pharmaceutical receiving medium, the replaceable cartridge comprising:

a reservoir containing at least one pharmaceutical component; and a fluid drop generator fluidically coupled to the reservoir for dispensing droplets from the reservoir to the pharmaceutical receiving medium.

21. (Original) The replaceable cartridge of claim 20 further comprising:
an information storage element carried on the reservoir and the fluid drop generator, the information storage element electrically connectable to the control and providing communicatable information to the control of at least one parameter of the pharmaceutical component and the fluid drop generator.

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22. (Original) The replaceable cartridge of claim 21 wherein the one parameter stored in the information storage element identifies the pharmaceutical component in the reservoir.

23. (Currently amended) The replaceable cartridge of claim 21 wherein: the fluid drop generator is integrally coupled to the reservoir.

24. (Original) The replaceable cartridge of claim 23 wherein the information storage element contains information specifying the number of drops to be dispensed by the fluid drop generator.

25. (Currently amended) The replaceable cartridge of claim 20 wherein: the fluid drop generator is integrally coupled to the reservoir.

26. (Original) The replaceable cartridge of claim 20 wherein: the reservoir is a single reservoir including a plurality of separate components, each containing one pharmaceutical component.

Claims 27-30 (Cancelled)

31. (New) The apparatus of claim 12 wherein the pharmaceutical receiving medium is a dose form.

32. (New) The replaceable cartridge of claim 20 wherein the pharmaceutical receiving medium is a dose form.